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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Hans-Dieter Muller

Attorney Docket No.: P66923US0

Serial No.: 09/918,457

Group Art Unit: 3722

Filed: August 1, 2001

Examiner: William R. Briggs

For: MACHINE TOOL WITH GRIPPER AND/OR TOOL MAGAZINE SYSTEM

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response To Election fo Species and Amendment in the above captioned application.

____ Small Entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

____ A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

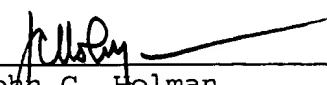
Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Addit. Fee	(or)	Other Than A Small Entity Rate Addit. Fee
Total	- 20	= 0	x09 = \$		x 18 = \$
Indep.	- 3	= 0	x42 = \$		x 84 = \$
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			x140= \$		+280 = \$
Total Additional Fee			\$		\$

____ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached for:

XX If a Petition for Extension of Time is necessary and the Petition and/or the check is not enclosed, this will act as the Petition and applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(1)-(5) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of any other additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES AND AMENDMENT

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT.
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In response to the Office Action of March 26, 2003 (Paper No. 12), please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claim 31 as follows:

-- 31. A gripper for conveying a tool from a tool magazine to a work spindle, the tool having a shank and a groove, the shank having a larger diameter than the groove, said gripper comprising:

a first member for interacting with said groove of the tool, and

a second member for interacting with a different region of said tool from said groove, wherein said second member lies against said different region of said tool, and said second member